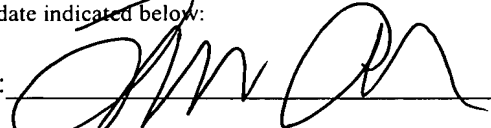




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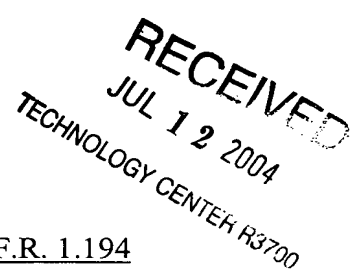
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Filed :	May 3, 2001		
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TC/A.U. :	3724		
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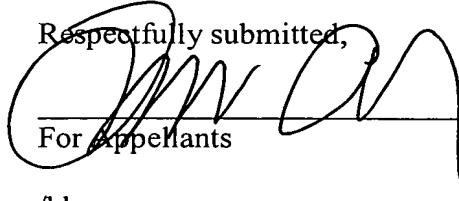
Sir:

Appellants request an *Oral Hearing* before the Board of Appeals in the above-identified application, at the earliest available date.

The fee of \$290.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (g) is submitted herewith.

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